

Decision No. 20059

**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
the County of Los Angeles and the	)	
County of Orange for an Order authoriz-	)	
ing a grade crossing over the tracks of	)	Application No. 14755
The Southern Pacific Railroad Company	)	
at Artesia Avenue in the said Counties.	)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

The Boards of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and the County of Orange, State of California, filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 1st day of June, 1928, asking for authority to construct a public street known as Artesia Avenue at grade across the track of Southern Pacific Company, in the vicinity of the Town of Artesia as hereinafter set forth. The County of Los Angeles has requested by letter that the division of cost of installing the wigwag be in accordance with an agreement being worked out by them, copy of said agreement, when executed, to be sent to the Commission. Said Southern Pacific Company has signified by letter that it has no objection to the construction of said crossing at grade, and it appears to this Commission that the present proceeding is not one in which a public hearing is necessary; that it is neither reasonable nor practicable at this time to provide a grade separation or to avoid a grade crossing with said track at the point mentioned in this application, and that this application should be granted, subject to the conditions hereinafter specified, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that permission and authority be and it is hereby granted to the Boards of Supervisors of the County of

Los Angeles and County of Orange, State of California, to construct Artesia Avenue at grade across the track of Southern Pacific Company at the location hereinafter particularly described and as shown by the maps attached to the application.

DESCRIPTION OF CROSSING

That portion of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company's right of way, as shown on map of Tract No. 7521, recorded in Book 90, page 16 et seq. of Maps, records of Los Angeles County, within a strip of land 30 feet wide, the southerly line of which is the westerly prolongation of the southerly line of said tract; to be known as Artesia Avenue in Los Angeles County.

That portion of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company's right of way, as shown on map of Tract No. 7521 recorded in Book 90, page 16 et seq. of Maps, records of Los Angeles County, within a strip of land 30 feet wide, the northerly line of which is the westerly prolongation of the southerly line of said tract; to be known as Artesia Avenue in Orange County.

The above crossing shall be identified as Crossing No.

BK-503-5.

Said crossing shall be constructed subject to the following conditions and not otherwise:

(1) The entire expense of constructing the crossing shall be borne by applicants in accordance with a direct proportion as the portions of said crossing which lie within the County of Orange and the County of Los Angeles, respectively. The cost of maintenance of that portion of said crossing up to lines two (2) feet outside of the rails shall be borne by applicants in accordance with the same proportionment. The maintenance of that portion of the crossing between lines two (2) feet outside of the rails shall be borne by Southern Pacific Company.

(2) The crossing shall be constructed of a width not less than twenty (20) feet and at an angle of thirty-three (33) degrees to

the railroad and with grades of approach not greater than two (2) per cent; shall be constructed substantially in accordance with Standard No.3 as specified in General Order No.72 of this Commission; shall be protected by a Standard No.1 crossing sign as specified in General Order No.75 of this Commission and shall in every way be made suitable for the passage thereon of vehicles and other road traffic.

(3) A Standard No.3 Wigwag as specified in General Order No.75 of this Commission shall be installed and maintained for the protection of said crossing No.BK-503.5. Within sixty (60) days from the date of this order, applicants shall file with this Commission a certified copy of agreement covering the cost of installation of said wigwag. In the event that such an agreement cannot be reached by interested parties, this Commission shall assess the above mentioned cost by supplemental order. The cost of maintenance shall be borne by Southern Pacific Company.

(4) Applicants shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said crossing.

(5) If said crossing shall not have been installed within one year from the date of this order, the authorization herein granted shall then lapse and become void, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

(6) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders relative to the location, construction, operation, maintenance and protection of said crossing as to it may seem right and proper and to revoke its permission if, in its judgment, the public convenience and necessity demand such action.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23<sup>rd</sup>  
day of July, 1928.

Leon Whitell

Chas. A. Seaver

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